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PRODUCTION OF CNG LPG CARS
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the total production and sale of Compressed Natural Gas/Liquified Petroleum and Natural Gas (CNG/LPG) cars during the last three years in the country; Category-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the percentage of production of CNG/LPG cars has increased during the last three years; and

(c) if so, the value of total savings in fuel cost due to use of CNG/LPG cars during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI RAGHUNATH JHA)

(a)&(b): The details of production and sale of Compressed Natural Gas/Liquefied Petroleum & Natural Gas (CNG/LPG) cars during the last three years in the country, as intimated by Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) is as under:

Type	Production (In numbers			Domestic Sales (In numbers)		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
CNG	224	225	149	224	225	149
LPG	12862	41783	51529	12862	41783	51529

SIAM has also informed that the data for CNG vehicles pertains to only Hindustan Motors as other manufacturers are not producing CNG vehicles in their factory.The data for vehicles fitted with CNG kit outside the factory is not available with the industry. From the above table it may be seen that the percentage of LPG production/sale has increased during the last three years, whereas the production/sale of CNG has decreased in 2007-08.

(c): The population figures of CNG and LPG vehicles are not centrally maintained either by industry association i.e., SIAM or by this Department. As such the data on saving on fuel cost is not available.